

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 1714

March 15, 2007

Examiner: Ms. Sandra K. Puolos

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

Applicant	:	Hirokazu ARAI et al)
Serial No.	:	10/649,798) AMENDMENT) AFTER
Filed	:	August 28, 2003) FINAL REJECTION
For	:	RESIN PULLEY)
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action of November 15, 2006, the period for reply to which is being extended to expire on March 15, 2007 by a Petition submitted concurrently. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is also being filed concurrently to relieve the application of its finally-rejected status.

A fee of \$_____ is also being submitted concurrently. Should this remittance be accidentally missing, however, or should any additional fees be needed (including extension of time fees, since Applicants hereby provisionally petition for any extensions that may be deemed necessary to avoid abandonment), the Director may charge such fees to our Deposit Account number 18-0002.

Please amend the above-identified application as specified on the following pages, and then reconsider the application in view of the Remarks that are presented thereafter.